ND ASSOCIATION OF COUNTY AND TRIBAL VETERAN SERVICE OFFICERS ${\rm 13474~4^{TH}~ST~SE~Hope~,~North~Dakota}$

President: Henry Gerving

Vice president: Emily Cost

Sec/treasurer; Dennis Kubischta

Minutes of the spring meeting held in Bismarck ND at the comfort Inn March 20, 2017

Approved a fall meeting oct 15,201) The spring meeting was called to order by president Gerving at 4:03 pm. He had the secretary read the minutes from the previous meeting. A motion was made by Jon Hannah second by Dan Thorstad to approve minutes as read.

President Gerving asked for the treasurers report, balance in checking account is \$4193.92, also he called for audit committee yearly report of financial audit. It was given by James Paulus , he said everything was in order. Emily Cost made a motion to accept financial report and audit as given, second by Ron Crowley, motion passed.

Jerry Samuelson gave legislative committee report, he said a 76% budget is proposed for Nd dept. of veterans affairs. There is a bill added for PTSD service dogs. He explained a little bit about the trust fund.

Training committee report was given by president Gerving, a question was asked if fall conference has to be in Fargo, there was no follow up discussion. Leon Hiltner asked how spring conerence dates are picked. He said township officers annual meeting is this week, after some discussion it was decided no matter what week we choose it would conflict with some ones schedule. The dates are chosen by the members at these meetings.

Old business: NACVSO accreditation was discussed, the law is you must be accrediated by NACVSO. Dan Thorstad spoke about this, Emily, Corean and Leon mentioned if we get the 501 c 3 done we may have money to help with these training conferences to make sure continuing credits are obtained to maintain accreditation. Aresident Gerving informed the Assection that proved minutes are on the NODVA website.

New business: Peggy is retiring from her job at ND dept of veterans affairs. A motion was made by

Jessica Clifton second by Angela Hunt that we purchase a \$75.00 gift certificate from longhorn as a thank you gift for her years of service. Motion passed. A discussion was held about our organization

paying the state dues for NACVSO. Secretary Kubischta said he just pays them, discussion was held that this should be approved by membership, Jon Hanna made a motion second, second by Ron Crowley that the association is to pay the state association membership yearly for NACVSO. Motion passed. The fall training conference is to be held at the Baymont Inn in Fargo Oct. 15-18 2017. Note: the Baymont is changing its name to Ramada Inn Fargo. Richard Marcellais mentioned we should contact Bellmar as a possible place for the fall conference. He also mentioned that on april 22 he is the keynote speaker for Vietnam week at the fargo air museum. The nonprofit status application is not done yet. Social is tonight all members are welcome. There were 36 counties signed in attending this meeting. President Gerving asked if there is any further new business, being none he asked for a motion to adjourn. The motion was made by Katrina Hodney second by Leon Hiltner, motion passed meeting adjourned at 5:45 pm.

Respectably submitted,

Dennis Kubischta

Sec/treasurer Nd association of county and tribal veteran service officers

Approved oct, 16, 2017